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WORKPIECE USING METROLOGY )  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed October 2, 2000, with a two month period for response, the applicants are submitting herewith: a copy of the notice to be returned with response; the executed declaration; and a check in the amount of \$1,006.00: basic filing fee (\$690); six claims over twenty (\$186); one independent claim over three (\$78); and surcharge for filing missing parts on a date later than the filing date for the application (\$130). Also, enclosed is a return postcard.

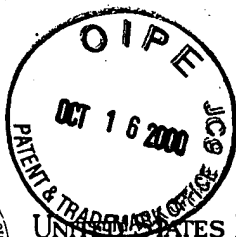
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Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$186.
  - \$108 for 6 total claims over 20.
  - \$78 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1006.

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